Proposed Amendments to the Tulare County Superior Court Local Rules to be effective as of January 1, 2019

New

Rule 119 – Traffic Infractions – Ability to Pay Program

The Superior Court of Tulare County is participating in the pilot program for online adjudication of traffic infractions. The pilot program is sponsored by the Judicial Council and authorized in division 17, chapter 1.5 of the Vehicle Code (sections 40280–40288). Under this program, a defendant may request an ability-to-pay determination for Vehicle Code infractions using procedures authorized in section 40283. The request may be made through an online tool, accessible through the Court's website, or in person. Because this program is in its pilot stage, it may be subject to change. Additional information about the program is, or soon will be, posted on the Court's website, and will be updated as needed.

New

Rule 120 - Civil Assessments

Upon full payment of any delinquent fine where a civil assessment pursuant to Penal Code 1214.1 is imposed, the court delegates the following authority to the court collections clerk:

If the delinquent fine is paid within forty-five (45) days of imposition of the Civil Assessment, the collections clerk will reduce the Civil Assessment to \$100.00

If the delinquent fine is paid within forty-six to sixty (46-60) days of imposition of the Civil Assessment, the collections clerk will reduce the Civil Assessment to \$150.00.

If the delinquent fine is paid within sixty-one to ninety (61-90) days of imposition of the Civil Assessment, the collections clerk will reduce the Civil Assessment to \$200.00

If the delinquent fine is paid more than ninety (90) days from imposition of the Civil Assessment, no reduction of the Civil Assessment by the collections clerk is permitted.

Amended

Rule 1102 – Location and Schedule of Juvenile Court

Juvenile delinquency and dependency court sessions are held at the Juvenile Justice Center located at 11200 Avenue 368, Visalia, CA 93291 and at the South County Justice Center located at 300 East Olive Avenue, Porterville, CA 93274.

All papers involving proceedings under Welfare and Institutions Code sections 300 and 602 shall be filed and maintained in the clerk's office of the Juvenile Justice Center located at 11200 Avenue 368, Visalia, CA 93291. (01/01/07) (Amended: 07/01/11, 01/01/19)

Revised

Standing Order 08-007 – Penal Code Section 987.9 Policy (Revised 07-01-18)
Attached is the updated Penal Code 987.9 policy adopted by the court (6 pages).